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(FOR THE COUNTRY.)
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At five dollars per annum.
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square, (eight lines or less) for first insertion,
and twenty-five cents for each subsequent in-
sertion.
Marriage and Death Notices fifty cents. Obitu-
aries will be charged at advertisement rates
for notices over four lines.

CASH PLAN ADOPTED.

The postage law, which goes into operation 1st
of January, 1875, requires prepayment on all
newspapers sent through the mails beyond the
limits of the counties in which they are published.
We have, therefore, determined to adopt the
CASH PLAN for all subscriptions. While
avoiding the losses, tardy payments and ex-
penses of collection incident to the credit sys-
tem, we will be required to prepay the postage.
The change determined upon will, therefore,
prove beneficial to both subscribers and publish-
er. The former will be relieved of the postage
tax, whilst the latter will be enabled to simplify
the operations of his business and to improve
the facilities for conducting it.

No name will be entered unless the subscrip-
tion is paid for in advance.
During the past few months every subscriber
in arrears has been furnished, through the mails,
with a statement of his account. Many have
responded with remittances discharging their
liabilities, and paying in advance for the current
year. We appeal urgently to those who have
not made a similar response to do so without
further delay, as after the first of January, 1875,
we will commence to discontinue the paper to
those who have not paid in advance. The time
within which all in arrears can close up the bal-
ance due and make advance payment is ample,
and we flatter ourselves that but few names
will be dropped.
ALEXANDRIA, November 9.

[For the Alexandria Gazette.
Christmas in Sweden.

It is Christmas Eve, a day which, through-
out the whole of Sweden, is celebrated in cas-
tle and cottage with gifts given and received;
with the best that a people have of this
world's wealth. For a month past one has
seen that the festival was coming by the in-
crease of life and bustle all over the whole
country, as if the whole country got itself
ready for a feast. In Stockholm the capital,
it seems as if a population of 80,000 souls had,
all at once, increased to 100,000, and as if
the bodies of all their souls had no more rest with-
in the house. People drive, people walk, or
rather people trudge up and down, from morn-
ing till night. People meet, people cross, peo-
ple jostle one another in the crowds, in the
streets and lanes. At the turning on each
hand one hears the words, "Your most hum-
ble servant!" And in the Great West street,
in particular, people are in peril of their life,
if they are poor foot passengers. In the shops
the ladies allow one another, under the plea-
sant pretense of desiring to see this and that,
examine, consider, turn over and over, ask
questions, chatter, chatter, and finally open
their pocket-books and pay their bill; and then,
without any impropriety, go out with their
parcels, be they large or small, oblong or four-
cornered. The elegant ladies float to their
elegant carriages, attended by the proprietors
of the shops, who ask with low bows, "Shall I
send them home?" Shall I add them to the
account?" A nod, or gracious "be so kind!"
the door is closed, the whip cracks—the bills
swell out! 5000 rix dollars for fine dresses;
1,000 for gold and silver stuffs; 2,000 for fine
wines. Such purchases make the power-
ful money-potentials, and then drive home to
be sold about a few pence and grumble over the
hard times.

"Two farthings worth of gingerbread,
bread," demands little Jaune, in his ragged
coat, and with his nose-end red with the cold,
standing before the paradise of the huckster's
stall; gets called little friend by its red-breast-
ed cherub, receives two brown hearts, pays his
money contentedly, goes his way as happy as
the moneyed-potentials in their elegant car-
riages, and like a good-hearted lad is as proud
as can be to bid his sister to share his feast.
At this time there is an end of all candor
and confidence in the family. Husbands and
wives, parents, children, brothers and sisters,
relations and friends, all conceal themselves
from one another, all have secrets from one
another, all have something to hide or with-
draw from each other's sight. And an observ-
er might think that such things testified but
indifferently for the happiness of Swedish
families if the mirror of the soul, the eye, was
not in the meantime become more loving and
friendly than ever. But the roguish gravity,
and repressed breath; the spirit of secrecy goes
about sealing all lips until—all at once—as if
by a magic stroke—amid the darkest night of
the year, millions of lights are kindled, and,
like a festive board, stands on the twenty-fourth
of December the whole kingdom of Sweden,
from Lapmark down to Skone, and millions
of voices exclaim the while, it is Christmas!
merry Christmas!

Such is Christmas Eve in Sweden. But the
light which in this kindled extends much farther,
and, like a circling wheel—pleasure follows
pleasure for a long succession of days. There
is dancing in cities, in towns, in hamlets. Peo-
ple dine, people feast, people play, and amid
the sportive hours, a more gladsome turn is
often given to serious life. Many a grudge,
much ill-will disappears amid the "borrowed
fire," and spirit does not observe something?
Many a happy bond is knit for life amid blind-
ness-buff, and "hide-the-ring—hide the ring,
show it to me!" And so the people go on
until the twentieth day of Christmas, which
is also called Knot, and which puts one upon
the thread of Christmas pleasures. Christmas
ends then; and on this evening, conformable
with old Swedish custom, Christmas is danced
out.

God be praised for Christmas, and that
thou comest and lightest up a portion of our
long dark winter with a ray of that light
which once, in the darkness of the world, was
kindled at the cradle of a child. I have been a
child, and have wept, and laughed, and wept
again, like all the little April-wooded compeers,
quickly forgetting the occasions both of smile
and tears. I have become a man, and have
experienced the sorrows of life, and the pleasures
of the world; they are now only as a
dimmed memory; but, like a newly kindled
light—like a clear crackling winter's fire—
Christmas Eve before my mind the delights of
Christmas Eve to my childhood. Many a
pleasure, many a breeze of Spring, many a
bright, sunny Autumn sunshine, may still
cheer the aged; but the joy of Christmas, that
indescribable, unmixt, innocently intoxicat-
ing delight, experiences he never more! Yet
he still can enjoy it, in the gladness of child-
ren, and drink a health to all good parents and
happy children for Christmas this year, and
every year until the end of time! F. B.

DRUGS AND CHEMICALS.

SIMMONS'

TAKE LIVER

The Symptoms of Liver Complaint are uncom-
mon and peculiar in their nature. Sometimes the pain is in
the shoulder, and is mistaken for rheumatism.
The stomach is affected with loss of appetite and
sickness, bowels in general constive, sometimes
alternating with lax. The head is troubled with
pain, and dull, heavy sensation, considerable loss of
memory, accompanied with painful sensation of
having left undone something which ought to
have been done. Often complaining of weakness,
debility, and low spirits. Sometimes many of the
above symptoms attend the disease, and at other
times very few of them; but the Liver is generally
the organ most involved.

REGULATOR

THE FAVORITE

HOME REMEDY.

Is warranted not to contain a single particle
of Mercury, or any injurious mineral substance,
but is

PURELY VEGETABLE.

containing these Southern Roots and Herbs,
which an all-wise Providence has placed in
countries where Liver Diseases most prevail. It
will cure all Diseases caused by Derangement of
the Liver and Bowels.

Simmons' Liver Regulator,

OR MEDICINE,

Is eminently a Family Medicine; and by being
kept ready for immediate resort will save many
an hour of suffering and many a dollar in time
and doctors' bills.

After over Forty Years' trial it is still re-
ceiving the most unqualified testimonials to its
virtues from persons of the highest character
and responsibility. Eminent physicians com-
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for Constipation, Headache, Pain in the Should-
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FOR DYSPEPSIA OR INDIGESTION.

Armed with this ANTIDOTE, all climates
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FEVERS, BOWEL COMPLAINTS, RESIS-
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IT HAS NO EQUAL.

It is the Cheapest, Purest and Best Family
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Simmons' Liver Regulator

For all diseases of the Liver, Stomach and
Spleen.

As a Remedy in MALARIOUS FEVERS,
BOWEL COMPLAINTS, DYSPEPSIA,
MENTAL DEPRESSION, RESISTLESSNESS,
JAUNDICE, NAUSEA, SICK HEADACHE,
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IT HAS NO EQUAL.

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WINDOW GLASS AND PUTTY.

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Prompt attention given to orders and in-
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Orders and inquiries from the country
promptly attended to. sep 28-4f

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Respectfully informs his old customers and the
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New York with a large and select assortment of
HATS, CAPS AND FURS,
all of the latest styles, and quality from the me-
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assortment of LADIES' AND MISSES' FURS
ever offered in this market, which he is prepared
to sell at most reduced prices. He has also made
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Ladies' Furs repaired and White Furs
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Fox's Cough Syrup, Hunevewell's Cough Remedy,
Ayer's Cherry Pectoral, Tyler's Compound
Syrup of Gum Arabic, Wishart's Pine Tree Tar
Cordial, Magie Balm, Jayne's Expectorant,
Powers' Compound Syrup of Tolu and Wild
Cherry, Hale's Honey of Horehound and Tar,
and Piso's Cure, &c., for sale by
oct 29

WARFIELD & HALL'S,

CAPE COD CRANBERRIES, Laver,
Lencia and Seedless Raisins, prime Citron
and Lemon Peel, &c., &c., for sale by
dec 14

J. C. MILBURN.

TESTIMONIALS.

"I have never seen or tried such a simple, ef-
ficacious, satisfactory and pleasant remedy in
my life."—H. Hainer, St. Louis, Mo.

Hon. Alex. H. Stephens.

"I occasionally use, when my condition re-
quires it, Dr. Simmons' Liver Regulator, with
good effect."—Hon. Alex. H. Stephens.

Governor of Alabama.

"Your Regulator has been in use in my fam-
ily for some time, and I am persuaded it is a val-
uable addition to the medical science."—Gov. J.
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"I have used the Regulator in my family for
the past seventeen years. I can safely recom-
mend it to the world as the best medicine I have
ever used for that class of diseases it purports to
cure."—H. F. Thigpen.

President of City Bank.

"Simmons' Liver Regulator has proved a good
and efficacious medicine."—C. A. Nutting.

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"We have been acquainted with Dr. Sim-
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years, and know it to be the best Liver Regu-
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"Have been a dyspeptic for years; began the
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"I have given your medicines thorough trial,
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"I have used your Regulator with successful
effect in Bilious Colic and Dyspepsia. It is an
excellent remedy, and certainly a public bless-
ing."—C. Masters, Bibb County, Ga.

My Wife.

"My wife and self have used the Regulator
for years, and testify to its great virtues."—Rev.
J. R. Felder, Perry, Ga.

"I think Simmons' Liver Regulator one of
the best medicines ever made for the Liver. My
wife, and many others, have used it with won-
derful effect."—E. K. Sparks, Albany, Ga.

M. D.

"I have used the Regulator in my family, and
also in my regular practice, and have found it a
most valuable and satisfactory medicine, and
believe it to be used by the profession it would
be of service in very many cases. I know very
much of its component parts, and can certify its
medicinal qualities are perfectly harmless."—
B. F. Griggs, M. D., Macon, Ga.

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Nos. 5 and 7 South Fairfax street.

H. H. HEMPLER,

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No. 453 Pennsylvania avenue, corner 41 street,
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Specialty—GLASS SPECTACLES and new
style SKELETON EYE-GLASSES.

FOR CHRISTMAS—Stereoscopes, with
plates, \$1 and upwards; Parlor Steam Engines,
Kaleidoscopes, Microscopes and other low priced
and fine Holiday Goods.
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QUININE AND GLYCERINE HAIR

TONIC.
This hair wash contains the tonic and invigo-
rating properties of Quinine, with the softening
and moistening properties of Glycerine. It is
intended to prevent the Hair from falling out,
and to promote its healthy and rapid growth.
As a dressing for ordinary toilet use, it will be
found an elegant preparation. Just received at
oct 29

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MORE NEW DRY GOODS—from New

York, Philadelphia and Baltimore—We
continue to receive large quantities of reason-
able Dry Goods, purchased at prices greatly un-
der value, and continue to sell at corresponding
low rates. We buy cheap and give full
value. D. F. BRASHEAR,
109 King street, Alexandria, Va. dec 4

H. B. HOOMES, S. D. HARPER,

WE HAVE BEEN APPOINTED Local
Agents for the sale of
CUMBERLAND COAL,
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pared to fill large or small orders.
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AT THE LOWEST PRICES—We have
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COTTONS, CALICOES, Canton Flannels, Shir-
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HOPPING AXES, of Hunts, Mann's, Rey-
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LEAMON'S ANILINE DYES—A full as-
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colors, from which all shades can be made. Call
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dec 12

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In store and for sale by
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A VERY superior assortment of ENGLISH
HAIR and TOOTH BRUSHES just re-
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dec 8

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Round Shorn Herring, and St. John's Ale-
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dec 4

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HOLIDAY GOODS!
WILL BE CLOSED OUT BY THE 25th OF
DECEMBER WITHOUT RESERVE.
And prices have been marked down with a view
to running off every dollar's worth of
HOLIDAY GOODS.

An early call will insure a variety that will
please everybody. Goods are moving off with a
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dec 22

FOR CHRISTMAS.

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at one season in Alexandria. His mammoth as-
sortment, which comprises every grade and
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CONFECTIONERY, NUTS, CANDIES,
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Families supplied with ICE CREAM.
His FRIED OYSTERS are favorites every-
where.
dec 10-6m

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AT GREATLY REDUCED PRICES.
dec 18

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of the latest and best styles, at the lowest prices
for CASH, or will sell out time if desired.
dec 18

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Something useful as a present.
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XMAS! XMAS! XMAS!

If you are in want of NICE XMAS PRE-
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Rich decorated MANTLE SETS.
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SETS, &c.
RICH FRENCH TOILET SETS.
ENGLISH
WHITE DINNER and TEA SETS, of
French China and best English Ironstone China.
TOY TEA SETS, Cups and Saucers, Mugs
and a variety of other Toys.
RICH CUT GLASS, in Goblets, Wines,
Bowls, &c., and a variety of other goods, all of
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FOR CASH.
Call and examine at
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dec 8-1m

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dec 8

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HOLIDAY GOODS.

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Immense Bargains in

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